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## **Postal Regulatory Commission**

Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that on October 24, 2011, the Commission received a petition for review of the Postal Service's determination to close the Ogden post office located in Ogden, Arkansas. The petition for review was filed by Sandra Furlow, Mayor, City of Ogden (Petitioner) and is postmarked October 12, 2011.

This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR § 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review). The Postal Service's administrative record is due no later than November 8, 2011.

Shoshana M. Grove

Secretary

Date: October 26, 2011

Attachment

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Sandra Furlow, Mayor

POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

October 11, 2011

POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION 901 NEW YORK AVENUE NW SUITE 200 WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Dear Sir

The Postal Service has informed us of a decision to close the Ogden Post Office, Docket #1375897-71853. This action is being taken after meeting the provisions of the Postal Reorganization Act of 1970, and over our protestations. This letter is a petition to appeal the decision to close the Ogden Post Office.

We, the customers of the Ogden Post Office, Ogden, AR 71853 vigorously protest this action, in view of the provision in the Postal Reorganization Act that calls for the Postal Service to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal service to rural areas, communities and small towns where the post office is not self-sustaining.

The Postal Service's decision to close our post office and provide rural delivery service raises questions concerning the sanctity of the mail and the risks involved in the handling of mail by non-career employees. We also foresee inconveniences in purchasing money orders and stamps, and sending accountable mail. We have the same concerns regarding the receipt of accountable mail, such as certified letters, registered letters and CODs

We feel that, as citizens of the United States, we are entitled to the same efficient postal service provided to our counterparts in urban areas. The Postal Reorganization Act is explicit in pointing this out. We petition you, as members of the Postal Regulatory Commission, to respectfully consider our protest and order the Postal Service to give additional considerations to our service needs.

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Respectfully and the statement

Sandra Furlow, Mayor of Ogden

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